What is the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (S/FMNP)?

In Virginia we call it *Farm Market Fresh*!

Virginia's *Farm Market Fresh* program helps WIC families get fresh, tasty, and nutritious locally-grown fruit, vegetables, and cut herbs. The program also supports local farmers and farmers' markets in Virginia.

The Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services-Division for the Aging (DARS-VDA) partners with the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS), and five WIC Agencies, to operate the program which is funded by the US Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service.

Who is eligible? WIC families who are served by the following WIC Clinics:

Augusta/Staunton Health Department Headquarters Office 1414 North Augusta Street, P.O. Box 2126 Staunton, VA 24402-2126

Pittsylvania-Danville Health District 326 Taylor Drive Danville, Virginia 24541

Pittsylvania-Danville Health District 200 H.G. McGee Drive Chatham, Virginia 24531

VA Beach Health Department 4452 Corporation Lane VA Beach, VA 23462

Norfolk Avenue WIC Office 1091 Norfolk Avenue VA Beach, VA 23451

Indian River WIC Office 900 Commonwealth Place VA Beach, VA 23464

Oceana WIC Office NAS – Building 531 VA Beach, VA 23460

Chesapeake City Health Center 748 Battlefield Boulevard, North Chesapeake, VA 23320 South Norfolk Health Center 490 Liberty Street Chesapeake, VA 23324

Wise Co. Health Department 134 Roberts St, SW Wise, VA 24293

Big Stone Gap 134 Roberts St, SW Wise, VA 24293

Family Investment Center, St. Paul 134 Roberts St, SW Wise, VA 24293

Family Investment Center, Appalachia Inman Village Appalachia, VA 24216

Family Investment Center, Coeburn 107 Litchfield Street, NW Coeburn, VA 24230

Wise County Kids Central 5345 Esserville Road Norton, VA 24273



What is provided?

- You will receive \$20.00 worth of checks per eligible family good for the current growing season.
- Each check is worth \$5.00 and may be used to purchase fresh, in-season fruit, vegetables, and cut herbs grown by participating authorized farmers at the following farmers'
- Certified retail farmers market vendors will accept checks for fresh, locally grown fruit and vegetables in-season, depending on the produce items available.

What's in season?

Farm Market Fresh checks are issued for the summer growing season and normally must be spent during the months of July through November, depending on availability of produce.

Farm Market Fresh checks are used only for typical fruit and vegetables that authorized farmers grow in Virginia and may be found at Virginia's farmers' markets in a normal season, such as those listed below. The varieties, volume, and quality of available produce may vary depending on the weather and other factors.

VEGETABLES	Snap beans	Cantaloupe
Broccoli	Spinach	Nectarines
Cabbage	Squash	Peaches
Cucumbers	Sweet corn	Pears
Eggplant	Sweet potatoes	Strawberries
Greens	Potatoes	Tomatoes
Green beans		Watermelons
Green peppers	FRUIT	
Cucumbers Eggplant Greens Green beans	Sweet corn Sweet potatoes Potatoes	Pears Strawberries Tomatoes

Pumpkins Blackberries Fresh cut herbs

Apples

ITEMS NOT ELIGIBLE

Lima beans

Items that you may NOT purchase with the Farm Market Fresh checks include:

- produce that is not locally grown such as oranges, bananas, and pineapples
- processed foods such as honey, maple syrup, cider, nuts, meat, bread, and cheese
- non-food items such as flowers and plants are NOT eligible

For More Information, Contact:

Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services – Division for the Aging

1610 Forest Avenue, Suite 100

Henrico, VA 23229

Toll-free: 1-800-552-3402 or Richmond: 804-662-9319

E-mail Coordinator: Nicole.Keeney@dars.virginia.gov Web Site: www.vda.virginia.gov



OTHER PRODUCE

Virginia Department of Health – Division of Community Nutrition

109 Governor Street, 9th Floor Richmond, VA 23218-2448

Tel: (804) 864-7800 Fax: (804) 864-7853

Email Coordinator: Michael.Welch@vdh.virginia.gov

Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Sales and Market Development

102 Governor Street Richmond, VA 23219

Richmond: 804-786-2373 Web Site: www.vdacs.virginia.gov

Information on locally grown Virginia produce Web Site: www.virginiagrown.com

United States Department of Agriculture, Food & Nutrition Service – Mid-Atlantic

Regional Office (MARO)

300 Corporate Blvd.

Robbinsville, NJ 08691-1518

Phone: 609-259-5122 Fax: 609-259-5128

Web Site: http://www.fns.usda.gov/fmnp/wic-farmers-market-nutrition-program-fmnp

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